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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Interim Guidance for Wearing of US Flag Insignia for the Army National Guard

1. All soldiers of the Army National Guard are authorized to wear the US flag insignia on the right shoulder of their utility uniform as a reminder that the Army is engaged in a war at home and abroad.
2. The Army Chief of Staff General Peter Schoomaker approved the uniform change. Soldiers deadline for compliance is 1 October 2005. The flag should be sewn one half inch below the shoulder seam. If a combat patch is also placed on the right shoulder, the flag is sewn one eighth inch below the combat patch. Enlisted soldiers will be issued five flag patches (4-BDUs, 1-Field Jacket). Officers will have to purchase their flags.
3. All States and Territories should begin submitting requisitions using NGP2 account (OPTEMPO funds) for the patches through National Guard Material Management Center, Lexington, KY or from the Central Clothing Distribution Facility in Philadelphia, PA website. Requisitions will be placed on backorder status until final contracts are met and deliveries are confirmed.
4. Point of contact is Ms. Peaks, Logistics Management Specialist, Supply and Services Branch, Logistics Division, at DSN 327-7420 or 703-607-7420.

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